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FM AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

TO AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY DAKAR

AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

SECSTATE WASHDC 7284

UNCLAS OUAGADOUGOU 2380

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP

SUBJ: CODEL DIGGS

REF: STATE 224832; STATE 227153

1. VOLTAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE VERY HAPPY TO LEARN OF VISIT, AND LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING CONGRESSMAN DIGGS AGAIN. THEY REMEMBER HIM AS OLD FRIEND FROM PREVIOUS VISITS.

2. FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR CODEL DIGGS;

NOV 26

0425 ARRIVE OUAGADOUGOU FROM NIAMEY

1030 COURTESY CALL ON ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER ALI BARRAUD  
(MINHEALTH)

1100 CALL ON NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT JOSEPH OUEDRAOGO

1130 CALL ON PRIME MINISTER GERARD KANGO OUEDRAOGO

1600 MEETING WITH AGRICULTURE MINISTRY AND INTERSTATE  
DROUGHT COMMITTEE (CILSS)

1730 CALL ON PRESIDENT LAMIZANA

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0700 DEPART BY CHARTERED PLANE  
0815 ARRIVE GOROM-GOROM, IN HEART OF VOLTAN SAHEL  
1030 DEPART GOROM-GOROM  
1100 OVERFLY USAID-FINANCED RANCH MARKOYE  
1200 ARRIVE OUAGADOUGOU  
1545 AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE  
1645 DEPART OUAGADOUGOU FOR DAKAR

3. ABOVE APPOINTMENTS ARE TENTATIVE, BUT EXPECT ALL WILL FIRM UP. MIN AGRICULTURE DAKOURE AND CILSS COUNSELOR KONATE ARE STILL IN ROME, HOWEVER, AND IT UNKNOWN WHETHER EITHER WILL RETURN IN TIME FOR DIGGS VISIT. GOUV IS CABLING DAKOURE IN HOPES THAT, IF HE UNABLE RETURN IN TIME, HE WILL BE ABLE SEND KONATE BACK. OTHERWISE, SECOND-ECHELON GOUV OFFICIALS ARE PREPARED MEET WITH CODEL TO DISCUSS CONTINUING DROUGHT SITUATION AND PROSPECTS FOR 1974.

4. SINCE OUAGADOUGOU IS NOT IN TRULY SAHELIAN PORTION OF UPPER VOLTA, BELIEVE CODEL WOULD FIND IT WORTHWHILE VISIT GOROM-GOROM TO SEE DROUGHT ZONE AND OVERFLY MARKOYE RANCH. RANCH IS USAID PROJECT, SINCE TURNED OVER TO GOUV, WHICH SHOWS WHAT CAN BE DONE WITH RANGE MANAGEMENT IN SAHEL. PROPOSED FLIGHT WOULD BE MADE IN CHARTERED NAVAJO (TWO MOTORS, SEVEN PASSENGERS) COSTING ABOUT DOLS 750. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER CODEL DESIRES MAKE THIS CHARTER FLIGHT AND GIVE FUND CITATION. AMBASSADOR AND PROBABLY TWO VOLTANS WOULD ACCOMPANY, LEAVING FOUR SEATS FOR DIGGS PARTY.

5. SOCIAL SCHEDULE IS IN FLUX. GOUV IS LIKELY TO GIVE LUNCHEON OR MONDAY NIGHT RECEPTION, AND WILL WILL ADJUST OUR ENTERTAINING OF GROUP TO WHAT GOUV DOES.

6. WOULD BE HAPPY BRIEF CODEL ON MORNING OF NOV. 26 IF DESIRED, BUT VIEW 0425 ARRIVAL TIME, BELIEVE IT PREFERABLE ALLOW MAXIMUM TIME TO REST BEFORE STARTING DAY'S CALLS. IN KEEPING LOCAL PREFERENCES, SHOULD LIMIT PARTY MAKING CALLS TO FOUR OR FIVE INCLUDING AMBASSADOR.

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7. DOES CODEL HAVE VOLTAN VISAS? PLEASE CABLE PASSPORT NUMBERS PLUS DATES AND PLACES OF ISSUE TO FACILITATE IMMIGRATION/CUSTOMS CLEARANCE AND HOTEL REGISTRATION.

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